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On July 8, 1968, Dr. ^{V. V. Docheff} ~~V. V. Docheff~~, President,
Bulgarian National Front, Incorporated (BNF), Post Office Box
1204, New York, New York, directed a letter to the Editor-in-
Chief of "The New York Times", New York City, with reference
to an article that appeared in this newspaper on July 6, 1968,
captioned "Central Park Killer....etc. (ANGELLOFF)".

In his letter, Dr. Docheff referred to statements
of spokesmen of the so-called "Committee for a Free and
Independent Bulgaria", 130 West 47th Street, New York City,
that (Angel) Angeloff was a member of the BNF. Dr. Docheff
denied that Angeloff was ever a member of or sympathetic to
the BNF.

Dr. Docheff mentioned that the BNF intended to seek
legal recourse in the matter and asked for the names of the
spokesmen of captioned Committee. He asked that "The New York
Times" publish a statement to the effect that Angeloff was never
a member of the BNF which has existed in the United States for
over fifteen years and is a legally incorporated democratic
and anti-communist organization.

On September 10, 1968, Raymond Maybury, owner and
resident at 130 West 47th Street, New York City, an apartment
house, advised that captioned Committee does not have an
apartment in this building nor could he furnish any information
about such a Committee.

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Mr. J. C.
Kolui Kondoff, 32-35 60th Street, Woodside, New York, a member of the BNF, advised on October 10, 1968, that he does not know who comprises this Committee. On October 18, 1968, Kondoff advised that from inquiries he had made, he feels that the Committee is one in name only and that some of the members of the Bulgarian National Committee Free and Independent Bulgaria (BNC) had assumed the captioned Committee's name for some reasons known only to themselves.

The BNC is an anti-communist emigre organization with headquarters in Washington, D. C., and its New York office at 200 West 57th Street, New York City.

Dr. Docheff advised on October 15, 1968, that although he does not know of the existence of captioned Committee as a Bulgarian organizational group, he feels that the name is being used by certain members of the BNC, the identity of such members being unknown to him.

Dr. Docheff also advised that he had not heard from "The New York Times" regarding his letter of July 8, 1968. He also said he did not intend to take legal measures concerning the article published in that newspaper.

On September 13, 1968, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is well acquainted with Bulgarian organizational matters and affairs in the New York City area, advised that he does not know of captioned Committee by name or who might comprise the Committee.

Source advised he feels sure that this Committee is not affiliated in any way with the BNF or the BNC for if it were he would know of it.

Source telephonically advised as recent as February 11, 1969, that in inquiries he had made he had not been able to determine the existence of captioned Committee.

Miss Kostoff
Mrs. Rose Kostoff, 130 West 47th Street, New York City, advised on February 11, 1969, that she does not know of the captioned Committee or of anyone who might be connected with it.

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Mrs. Kostoff recalled having heard on the radio on July 5, 1968, of the shooting in Central Park by a Bulgarian named Angeloff and of his having been shot to death by the police.

About three hours after hearing this broadcast, Mrs. Kostoff received a telephone call from an individual who refused to identify himself. He asked if she was related to or if she knew Angeloff. She replied in the negative. He also asked if Lloyd Angeloff, who was listed in the New York Manhattan Telephone Directory as residing at this address, was a relative. She told the caller that Lloyd is her son but that he did not reside at this address. As the caller would not identify himself, Mrs. Kostoff refused to continue the phone conversation.

Mrs. Kostoff stated she believes it to have been the following day she read in "The New York Times" of the account of the shootings in Central Park. She recalled mention being made of the captioned Committee, 130 West 47th Street, New York City, and that a Bulgarian named Angeloff was a member of this organization.

In retrospect, Mrs. Kostoff feels that the unidentified individual who phoned her after the shooting could have been a newspaperman. She explained that he could have used the 130 West 47th Street address and possibly a transposition of the name of the Bulgarian National Committee Free and Independent Bulgaria, 200 West 57th Street, New York City. She considers the BNC and the BNF as being anti-Communist emigre groups.

Mrs. Kostoff advised that she is certain the captioned Committee does not occupy an apartment at her address. She said she had spoken to the superintendent of the building, Mr. Raymond Maybury, who personally knows the tenants of the apartments in the building and he is certain that there is no such group as a tenant.

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